

RUMANIA
WILL KEEP
UP BATTLE

Germany's 24-Hour Ultimatum for "Immediate Peace" Is Ignored, According to Wireless Message From Jassy to Saloniki.

TO SURVIVE OR PERISH
WITH CAUSE OF ALLIES

Ferdinand's Government, With Bolsheviks on One Side and Teutons on Other, Far From Friendly Force, to Fight Harder Than Ever.

Amsterdam, Feb. 13.—German despatches declared today it is semi-officially denied that an ultimatum was issued to Rumania demanding conclusion of peace with the central powers "within 24 hours."

On the contrary, it was stated, Field Marshal Mackensen is negotiating for a continuation of the armistice.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Rumania has ignored Germany's 24-hour ultimatum to "conclude immediate peace."

According to a message flashed by wireless from Jassy to Salonica and relayed by cable today to Dr. Constantin Angelescu, Rumanian minister here, Rumania has "disdainfully ignored" Germany's threat and will "survive or perish with the allied cause."

With Teuton divisions on one side, the Bolsheviks on the other and many miles away from a friendly force, King Ferdinand's plucky nation is fighting harder today than ever before, according to official despatches received here today.

Rumanian troops, the cables stated, have crossed the river Pruth and now occupy the entire Rumanian province of Bessarabia, which recently declared its independence. Bolshevik troops have been defeated in several pitched battles and withdrawn from the province, which is now being ruled by a provisional government. One force of 300,000 Russians, formerly under command of General Tseretichoff, have been driven across the Dniester where they were disarmed by the Ukrainians, the despatch declared.

Rumania's government and people decided irrevocably to cast their lot with the allies, a mistake which forced the evacuation of seven-eighths of the country before the advancing Austro-German legions has not dampened Rumania's faith in ultimate triumph, Rumanian statesmen here say.

Behind the decision of Rumania, military critics see the promise of an eventual offensive in the Balkans. Without assurances of co-operation from the Balkan forces, Rumania would hardly be in a position to withstand a Teuton drive. On the other hand, withdrawal of any of the forty-five divisions now concentrated against the Rumanian front would leave it opening in the line through which King Ferdinand's forces might threaten Bulgaria on the north.

Goshen Red Cross Will Have Big Entertainment

Goshen, Oregon, Feb. 13.—The Goshen Red Cross auxiliary is making great preparations for a rousing entertainment to be given Saturday evening next. There will be a supper and a good program and during the program Rev. A. M. Spangler will present a service flag which has been made by the people of Goshen. A small subscription will be charged and the proceeds will go to the Red Cross. Everyone has been invited to attend.

TAR AND FEATHERS APPLIED
Stanton, Ill., Feb. 13.—Open display was stamped out here today following the tarring and feathering of two alleged pro-Germans here last night.

Feeling against Severino Oberdan, suspected I. W. W. agitator, and John A. Nelson, Chicago attorney, reached a climax when the men addressed a labor meeting and are alleged to have preached pro-Germanism. A mob of 500 citizens gave the pair a coating of tar and feathers and escorted them, shouting, to the city limits.

AIRMEN ATTACK NANCY
Paris, Feb. 13.—Three civilians were killed and five wounded when two German airplanes dropped several bombs on Nancy last night, the war office reported today.

There was mutual artillery firing north of Rheims. The French took prisoners in raids east of Aubervilliers in the Meuse region. An attempted German raid east of Rheims was frustrated.

TODAY IS BEGINNING
OF 40 DAYS OF LENT

Ash Wednesday Starts Period of Abstinence Ending With Easter.

Today is Ash Wednesday, the first of the 40 days of Lent preceding Easter. The 40 days are exclusive of Sundays, so the Lenten season extends until March 31 this year.

The Catholic and Episcopal peoples will observe Lent especially by abstinence and fasting. The members of the Protestant churches of Eugene plan to have union mid-week services during the Lenten season and to observe the last week before Easter as "Holy Week" with appropriate services.

For the Catholics, a new announcement by the Pope is of interest. It provides that Catholics may eat meat and fish at the same meal, and probably comes as a result of the scarcity and dearth of meat. Saturday is to be substituted for Wednesday as a day of abstinence and will bring two meatless days together for those of the Catholic faith. Soldiers and sailors are permitted to eat meat on all days, excepting Ash Wednesday and the last two days of Lent.

ANOTHER EUGENE MAN
GETS CAPTAIN'S RANK

Dr. T. H. Miller Receives Commission in Medical Section of United States Army.

Dr. T. H. Miller, for the past six years a practicing physician of Eugene, received his commission Wednesday as a captain in the medical section of the United States army. His commission was dated January 16, and as the rules allow a man 60 days from the date of his commission to dispose of his practice and get ready for service, he expects to be ordered on duty about March 16.

Dr. Miller secured this rank in an exhaustive examination in this city in December, and says that he secured higher rank than he had hoped to as a result of the examination. He came here six years ago from La Crosse and has built up a lucrative practice which he will lose by accepting his commission. His family will remain in Eugene during the war.

Capital in Bush League Class
on Revival Circuit, Says Sunday

Washington, Feb. 13.—Billy Sunday has placed Washington in the bush league class on the revival circuit. He says that only Omaha has a worse batting average in saving souls and contributing cash during a tabernacle campaign.

With only a few more days of the Washington campaign to run, the committee is \$18,000 shy of enough cash to pay expenses and several thousand shy of the usual number of trail hitters brought down the sawdust pathway. Only 8881, including hundreds of soldiers, have answered the evangelist's call in Washington.

Bill partly ascribed the shortage in souls to the fact that a large proportion of the populace, including the congressmen, have already been saved.

The famous evangelist is looking forward to the Chicago campaign. He likes the big towns the best.

T. W. Munroe to Be Candidate
for Treasurer Lane County

Thomas W. Munroe, Spanish war veteran and junior member of the firm of Munroe and Son, furniture dealers at 120-122 Eighth avenue west, has announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for county treasurer, who announces today that he will not be a candidate.

Mr. Munroe has been a resident of Eugene for a long time, and was for several years a clerk in the Friendly store before going into business for himself. He served through the Spanish-American war and the Philippine insurrection as sergeant in company C, Second Oregon volunteers.

SECOND SECTION TO MEET

The second section of the municipal band will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock. All musicians who desire to join have been invited by Mr. Perfect, leader of the band, to be present with their instruments for practice.

BRITISH ARMY INCREASED

London, Feb. 12.—Eight hundred and twenty thousand men were added to the British army in 1917 while 780,000 men and 304,000 women were assigned to essential war work, Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law announced.

In the house of commons this afternoon.

The chancellor said Great Britain now had 30 per cent more guns and twice as many airplanes as in 1916 and had built 1,163,000 tons of shipping—twice the amount built in 1915.

SWISS SUSPECT
GERMAN PLANS
FOR INVASION

People Wonder Whether Their Little Republic Is to Receive Treatment Similar to That Accorded Belgium.

THOUSANDS OF TROOPS
MASSED ALONG FRONT

Mobilization of Teuton Warriors Within Striking Distance Causes Concern Over Proposed Offensive.

BY WILLIAM PHILLIP SIMMS
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Zurich, Switzerland, Feb. 13.—After Belgium is Switzerland's turn next? Hindenburg is massing troops against the French right flank with vast stores of ammunition and guns. The people here are wondering whether the treaty of 1915 will be the next "scrap of paper."

Germans in Zurich are openly boasting that Ludendorff could smash the Swiss army in 48 hours.

The Prussians, while gorging themselves on little republics, brag they could occupy this city the first day. They declare Switzerland's 1500 machine guns, 16 6-inch cannons, 80 batteries of 8-inch field guns and small stock of ammunition is insufficient to cause much trouble.

They say there are only 100,000 troops under colors and that of these but 45,000 are on the German border, which could be swept aside and France entered before the remainder of the Swiss could be mobilized.

The consensus of opinion of people I have talked to is that if Hindenburg does not attempt to cross Switzerland in an effort to turn the French flank, it will be because he considers it strategically unwise.

I am told the Germans have planned the invasion to the last detail; even skeleton governments for the cantons (Swiss states) exist.

At the trial of a number of suspected spies at Vevey documents placed in evidence.

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LEADER TALKS TO
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

University Instructor Greeted With Much Enthusiasm by Boys in Prep School.

Colonel John Leader made another of his successful campaigns Thursday morning when he addressed the Eugene high school. In addition to giving the pupils some of his first-hand information about the war he directed his remarks largely to the boys of the military battalion. He declared that the United States must forget the ages of 21 to 31, as a limit for military service. In England practically all between 16 and 55 are drilling and he believes that they should be here, and that many of them will be needed.

He also impressed upon them the need of strict discipline in school to prepare them for life either inside or outside of the army.

He held them all in closest attention and was heartily applauded at the close of his remarks.

Rev. J. A. Moran Returns
From Trip Through East

Rev. J. A. Moran, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church, returned Monday night from a seven-weeks' trip through the eastern states. He visited Detroit, New York and New Jersey and returns much improved in health. He states that the weather was very cold there and that there is much suffering throughout the east.

Willard May Meet Fred
Fulton at Reno, July 4

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—Frank Schuler, local promoter, is fostering a scheme for a 20-round bout between Jess Willard and Fred Fulton to be held at Reno July 4. It is understood that Jess himself is the financial backer of the battle, planning to offer Fulton a substantial amount for the battle. Schuler is now in Reno investigating the situation.

HAYS REPUBLICAN CHIEF

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 13.—Will H. Hays, Indiana, was unanimously elected chairman of the republican national committee this afternoon. No other name was placed before the committee.

Fred W. Upham of Chicago was elected treasurer of the republican national committee to succeed Cornelius Egan of New York.

Practice Fraud to Get Onto
Floor at Red Cross Dance

Eugene has some young men who are thoughtless, if not unpatriotic. These fellows are either "smart alecks" or just naturally dishonest. A fellow who will cheat to get into a place of entertainment or amusement lacks the elements of common decency, but he lacks a great deal more when he is low enough to practice fraud in gaining admission to a dance when every cent collected at the door is a contribution to the humanitarian work the Red Cross is carrying on in connection with the great world war.

Several young men danced at the Eugene armory last night, after gaining admission to the floor through trickery. A small card was pinned on each person who paid and was admitted in the regular way. These cards were used as marks of identification for those leaving the floor, or the room, and who desired to re-enter. A number of young men entered in the usual way, and after a time, came out into the hall. They tore their identification cards in two, and each gave one-half to a confederate on the outside. In this manner, both the fellows who came from the inside and the boys who had waited in the hall slipped by the door-keeper.

The fraud was detected by Frank Wetherbee and W. C. Yoran.

AMERICANS WIN
IN BIG GUN DUEL
ON WEST FRONT

Object of Pershing's Artillery Not Disclosed, But Operation Is Declared to Have Been Successful.

BY J. W. REGLER,
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With the American armies in France, Feb. 12.—(Delayed)—American artillery triumphed over the Germans in the gun duel which began with yesterday's blood-red sunset and continued until today's dawn.

It is not yet permissible to announce the object of the American firing, but the bombardment entirely accomplished its purpose.

All night long the sky flickered and flared as gun flashes danced like will-o'-the-wisps up and down the horizon.

No man's Land was continuously almost as light as day, with miriads of star shells and green, orange, yellow and red rockets shooting up from the Boche trenches in anticipation of an infantry onslaught.

There was little infantry action during the night and today. There was routine patrolling and sniping but no clashes occurred.

The unusually good visibility prevailing today brought out numerous allied and enemy airplanes. The sky was periodically broken out with black and white shell puffs.

An Omaha reserve lieutenant dined comfortably at the officer's club tonight after a narrow escape from death or capture during a daylight bombing raid over the Metz industrial region.

The Omaha officer and numerous other Americans, flying with a French squadron, encountered stiff opposition from enemy airplanes.

The Nebraska turned his machine gun on a Boche who returned the fire. The Nebraska's machine was literally riddled and its gas tank was punctured. But he dropped his bombs and returned to his own lines.

"I think I'm going to like this bombing game," he said, then asked for a second helping of ice-cream.

BRITISH TAKE PRISONERS

London, Feb. 13.—British troops conducted a successful raid southeast of Hargreave last night, taking 11 prisoners. Field Marshal Haig reported today, "Casualties were inflicted on the enemy in patrol encounters southeast of Lens."

"In the neighborhood of Epehy and northeast of Ypres there was hostile cannonading."

ROOSEVELT NEAR NORMAL

New York, Feb. 13.—Col. Roosevelt was reported to be "progressing nicely" today, following his "most comfortable day" yesterday. It was said he suffered less pain than at any time since the operation. His pulse and temperature were normal.

TEUTON TEACHER REIGNS

Camas, Wash., Feb. 13.—Because she is alleged to have repeatedly made disloyal remarks in her class room and attempted to circulate Teutonic propaganda, Miss Emma Roth was instructed today to resign as instructor at the Camas high school, following an investigation of charges made against her. Miss Roth states she is of German and Austrian parentage and is the niece of an Austrian general.

STEAMER OFFERING SUNK

Madrid, Feb. 13.—The steamer Otello has been torpedoed, it was reported here today. Thirty-seven survivors are said to have been towed by the submarine and landed at the Canary Islands.

GERMAN JUNKER
RULE AT VIENNA
NEAR COLLAPSE

Peace Between United States and Austria Can Only Come When Austrian People Break With Prussian Leaders.

POSSIBILITY FOR SUCH A
STEP, REGARDED STRONG

President's Address Drives Home Former Statement That He Will Not Deal With Present Rulers of Germany.

Zurich, Feb. 13.—"The seriousness of the internal situation in Austria must be borne in mind," the Berliner Tagblatt declares, in copies received here today. "Government is no longer possible, since the Czechs, Jugoslavs and Poles form an important majority against which the German parties are powerless."

Berne, Feb. 13.—The prospect of the much advertised Hindenburg offensive is provoking much alarm and indignation among German civilians and apprehension among the troops, according to reports reaching here today.

Berlin has been sorely placarded with announcements that the Prussian militarists are preparing to sacrifice another million men. A number of socialists have been arrested.

BY ROBERT J. BENDER
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Washington, Feb. 13.—Peace between the United States and Austria can only come when the Austrian people break with the German junkers.

Possibility of such peace is strong. To drive home the former statement, while convinced of the latter one, President Wilson made his momentous address to congress, the United Press can state semi-officially today.

The president wants the Austrian people to know that this is not a swash-buckling nation.

His address was designed to answer the peace note spreading throughout the world—and at the same time to serve notice on the German junkers that America is not galled by the vagaries of von Hertling.

In seeking a definite interpretation of the president's message, the United Press sought also to clear up doubt as to whether or not it was fundamentally a peace or war message. It was both.

The president is more than ever de-

TAYLOR WILL NOT BE
CANDIDATE AGAIN

County Treasurer to Retire This Fall After Eight Years in That Office.

S. W. Taylor, treasurer of Lane county, will not be a candidate for re-election, he stated Thursday. "I have had four terms and served eight years next January," he stated, "and I think I should let some one else have it now."

Mr. Taylor in addition to his eight years as county treasurer, has also served about 20 years with the water plant in this city. He was with the plant under several different managements and was superintendent when the pumping plant was located on the north side of Skinner butte. He was also in charge of the plant when it was located at the corner of Sixth and High streets, and served after the city took over the plant until he was elected county treasurer.

Mr. Taylor is one of the youngest of the Civil war veterans, having enlisted from Pennsylvania at the age of 15.

He has been a resident of Eugene for 30 years next month. Upon his retirement from office he expects to retire to a small ranch near Eugene. He says that with his pension and ranch he can be absolutely independent and believes he will live longer under those conditions than by remaining in office.

War Saving Stamp Sales
Average \$11,000,000 a Week

Washington, Feb. 13.—The American behind the fighting lines not only has billions for Liberty loans, but Red Cross and other war relief, but is pouring his loose change liberally into war saving stamps. The fund has passed the \$50,000,000 mark and is now averaging \$11,000,000 a week.

AVIATORS' INJURIES FATAL

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 13.—Lieutenant Peyton C. March, Jr., injured yesterday when his airplane fell at Hicks field, died at 2 o'clock this afternoon. He was taken to the local hospital here.

MOVIE STARS TO PAY
MILLIONS IN TAXES

Douglas Fairbanks Heads List With Levy of \$450,000 Against Income.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 13.—Millions from the movies for America, is the maxim of such of filmdom's foremost stars as Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks, Charlie Chaplin, Theda Bara, William S. Hart and other cinema celebrities.

Called upon by the government for payment of taxes, war and otherwise, they are preparing to pour into the war chest of the nation a sum that will make some of the money barons' tax receipts shrink by comparison.

Easily over a million dollars will be paid by only a few of America's picture players, it was learned today when figures gathered by the United Press from the stars themselves, showed a total running into nine figures.

Leading the list is Douglas Fairbanks, whose income tax and excess profit tax, together with other taxes levied by the government is \$450,000. Fairbanks' secretary announced the figures after consulting with United States Tax Collector Carter.

Mary Pickford hands Uncle Sam her check for \$230,000 levied on her 1917 earnings as income tax, war income tax, excessive profits tax, surtax and other members of the tax family since Hobokenism came to be a thing to be democratized at whatever the cost.

If 1918 figures were counted Charley Chaplin would lead filmdom with over half a million dollars. Based on 1917 income, on which tax is levied, Chaplin pays the government \$100,000. This figure, his secretary insisted on explaining, was due to Chaplin being idle a number of months of the year when he completed a contract in mid-year and then devoted his time to building a new studio.

Theda Bara, whose secretary admits, pays "an enormous" income tax, is reticent about actual figures, nevertheless, "It is not a matter on which the public should be informed," she believes, and is echoed by lesser lights.

RAILROAD WORKERS
READY FOR SERVICE

400 Locomotive Engineers Volunteer in Tank Service of United States Army.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Locomotive engineers are volunteering for tank service in France. At the request of Secretary Baker, names of 400 locomotive engineers, willing to risk their lives to roll the big caterpillars across No Man's Land were furnished by W. S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, it was developed today before the federal wage commission.

"Engineers are as patriotic as any Americans," Stone declared, "and we will sacrifice our last dollar and our last drop of blood if necessary."

"When the government took over the railroads I advised against any concerted wage movement. We realized that the crisis of the war was approaching and we did not want to jeopardize train service."

Never before had railroads made so little preparation for winter operations, Stone declared discussing the present chaotic conditions. He injected a plea for the lower paid railroad employees.

"Engineers are the highest paid of railroad employees," he said. "And though they ask the same consideration in wage increases as are given other employees, they realize that the greatest wage increase should go to the low paid men."

Sheep Shearers Want More
Money for Work This Year

Yakima, Wash., Feb. 13.—A new price boosting excuse for textile firms is shaping today. Sheep shearers want more money.

Professional shearers arriving to fleece sheep of this section report that their ranks have been considerably thinned by war. They state that owing to the demand for wool, they are obliged to shear far closer than ever, and they base their demand for more money on this.

Recall of Douglas County
Court Not Warranted, View

Roseburg, Or., Feb. 13.—The county court of Douglas county has committed no act that should subject them to the recall, according to a report returned today by a commission appointed by the taxpayers' league to investigate charges made against the members. Several recommendations regarding future conduct in certain departments were submitted.

Springfield Revival Meeting
Is Still Drawing Crowds

Crowds still continue to attend the meetings at the Methodist church in Springfield. The Scotch singer is very popular. Dr. Danford's sermons increase in power and effectiveness. Many converts are coming to the front. The meetings will continue all this week and over Sunday. Services are held every afternoon at 2:30 and every evening at 7:30. Everybody welcome. It is a community meeting without any denominational tinge or setting.

Johnny Beckett Loses Two
Brothers Within Three Weeks

Portland, Or., Feb. 13.—Top Sergeant Johnny Beckett, of the Mare Island Marines and former University of Oregon football player, arrived in Portland yesterday to attend the funeral of his brother, Ralph W. Beckett, aged 35 years, who died in Kansas City February 8 of spinal meningitis after an illness of a few days. This makes the second death in the Beckett family in the last 13 days. Johnny's eldest brother recently died of pneumonia in Philadelphia.

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VATICAN VIEWS
WILSON SPEECH
AS PEACE STEP

Responsibility Put Squarely Up to German Militarism, Which Must Answer President's Declaration, Pope Believes.

SEED OF PEACE ALREADY
SPROUTING, ASSERTION

Early Replies From Central Power Spokesman, Especially From Austrian Foreign Minister Czernin, Expected

BY JOHN H. HEARLEY,
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Rome, Feb. 13.—Pope Benedict welcomes President Wilson's address to the enemy and the world as "nourishing the peace seed, which is already sprouting."

"The Vatican believes the responsibility has now been squarely put up to German militarism, which must answer the president's declaration."

The Pope confidently expects early replies, especially from Austrian Foreign Minister Czernin.

SEES CHANCE FOR PEACE
Washington, Feb. 13.—That a note of conciliation and reconsideration of "previous demands" in allied war aims of "bringing near a peace on the basis of terms emanated by Pope Benedict, is the opinion of Vatican circles, according to cablegrams received here.

For the first time the Pope is said to feel that there is a sincere willingness on the part of the allies to reach a just and peaceful agreement.

The Vatican, however, does not expect the end of the war before another summer's campaign has been fought to its bloody end. It still believes there can be no military decision and therefore that prolongation of the struggle is unjustifiable.

Vatican circles do not believe Austria will break with Germany.

INCREASE IN WHEAT
PRICE IS PROPOSED

Bill Introduced in Congress Raising Minimum From \$2 to \$2.50.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Legislation to increase the price of wheat this year from \$2, as fixed in the food control law, to \$2.50 was introduced in the senate today.

Senator Gore, chairman of the agricultural committee, who introduced the measure, declared that an increased price was necessary to insure production of wheat already in prospect.

Senator McCumber, North Dakota, also offered a resolution increasing the price of wheat to \$2.75 a bushel.

"The winter wheat crop is going to be short," said Gore, "unless the price is increased. Much wheat will be plowed under this spring and corn planted."

The \$2 wheat price fixed by the present law is absolute, Gore declared Food Administrator Hoover told him at a conference yesterday.

Gore's resolution would fix the \$2.50 price as a minimum and empower the president to raise the price if conditions warranted.

Gore has requested an opinion from the attorney-general as to whether or not the \$2 price is absolute.

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